



### Kansas Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot News & Updates Week 2

Hello Niya —

In the latest edition of the Kansas Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot News & Updates, we're featuring practical tips to engage families. Read on for suggestions for improving ASQ® completion rates, an age calculator that helps you choose the correct paper questionnaire every time, free activities to try in the classroom and share with families, and so much more.



#### Boost ASQ Completion Rates

Download the tip sheet for nine creative ways to motivate families to return completed questionnaires.

A smooth Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot starts with strong family engagement. Once you've introduced the questionnaires, the next step is getting them completed. The beginning of the year can be hectic, and some families may need a little extra encouragement.

One great strategy? **Host an ASQ Family Night.** Set up activity stations with ASQ-3 manipulatives, and have staff available to answer questions and support families on the spot.

Want more ideas? Download the tip sheet for eight more creative ways to boost questionnaire completion rates.

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#### First Snapshot Foundations

Using paper questionnaires? Automatically choose the correct age interval with the free ASQ Age Calculator.

Using paper questionnaires with some families? Need help choosing the right ASQ interval? Skip the guesswork by using our free, online calculator, designed to simplify the process and ensure accuracy every time. The ASQ Age Calculator will automatically identify the correct questionnaire in seconds based on a child's birthdate.

Just for Kansas users: You have access to the 72-month ASQ-3 questionnaire, which can be used with children up to 77 months, 30 days. You'll use the 60-month ASQ:SE-2 questionnaire for children up to this age, too. When screening children older than two years old, you do not need to adjust for prematurity.

[USE CALCULATOR](#)



#### ASQ Online Quick Tip

Share skill-building activities with families using ASQ Family Access.

ASQ learning activities are a great way to partner with families to support children's learning at home - whether children's development is on track or could benefit from additional support.

**Good news:** You can share ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 learning activities directly through ASQ Online Family Access! Download the tip sheet to learn how to add these engaging activities as a download in Family Access once families complete the questionnaires.

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#### Additional ASQ Resources and Support

Key resources to share with parents and caregivers.

Support **Learning at Home with Easy, Fun Activities**. Share these fun and easy activities—available in English and Spanish—with the parents and caregivers of your kindergarten students to support their learning at home!

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#### ASQ Activity Corner

Looking for simple, effective ways to support student development? Each issue includes a free, ready-to-use activity you can try in your classroom or share with families and caregivers to reinforce classroom learning. Every activity is aligned with [Kansas Early Learning Standards](#).



#### Activity: Writing Names

Practice writing first names of classmates and teachers. Children may need to trace the letters of these names at first. Be sure to write in large print letters.

[SEE THE ACTIVITY](#)



#### A Message from KSDE

In our [Kansas School Improvement Model](#), Family, Community, and Business Partnerships is a structure—one of the adult behaviors that sustains the four fundamentals of structured literacy, standards alignment, balanced assessment, and quality instruction in a school system. This means that educators, families, and community partners collaborate to ensure students are progressing in their learning.

The Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot is an opportunity to engage families in their child's learning right from the start of the school year. As families complete the ASQ, they may have questions about what an item in the questionnaire means. Working together to complete the questionnaires gives teachers and families a chance to practice collaborating to support a student's learning. Schools can then share ASQ learning activities with families so that families can support students' learning and development at home.

Remember that the [2025 Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot Fact Sheet](#) includes important dates and action items. Feel very welcome to contact Amanda Petersen ([Amanda.Petersen@ksde.gov](mailto:Amanda.Petersen@ksde.gov)) and Stacy Clarke ([Stacy.Clark@ksde.gov](mailto:Stacy.Clark@ksde.gov)) if KSDE can be of assistance.

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